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Amendment to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 8, as follows:

--Modern methods of treatment for aneurysms focus on preventing rupture by providing a stent graft which is positioned within the artery at the aneurysm. As seen in Figure 1 by way of example, a stent graft 20 comprises a bifurcated fabric tube 22. Bifurcated fabric tubes are formed of a plurality of interlaced yarns wherein a single tube branches into two or more tubes at a bifurcation point. The term "yarn" as used herein is a generic term for a continuous strand or strands of fibers, filaments or material in a form suitable for knitting, weaving, braiding or otherwise intertwining or interlacing to from form a fabric. Various forms of yarn include monofilaments, filaments twisted together, filaments laid together without twist, as well as other configurations.--

